

## ASYLUM FOR THE INSANE, OKLAHOMA.

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Mr. SHAFROTH, from the Committee on the Public Lands, submitted the following

### REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 10666.]

The Committee on the Public Lands, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 10331) donating the abandoned military reservation known as Fort Supply, in Woodward County, Oklahoma, to Oklahoma Territory for an asylum for the insane, beg leave to submit the following report, and recommend that the following be substituted for said bill:

A BILL authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to permit the use of the buildings on the Fort Supply Military Reservation by Oklahoma Territory for an insane asylum.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized, under rules and regulations to be provided by him, to permit the use of the buildings on the Fort Supply Military Reservation, and so much of the land as may be necessary for such use, by the Territory of Oklahoma for the purpose of an insane asylum for said Territory.

This bill is recommended by the Secretary of the Interior for the following reasons:

The fort is no longer used by the Government, and is a charge requiring the care of a custodian, without which the buildings would be destroyed, and are being damaged to greater or less extent. Should the Territory be allowed the use of the buildings and grounds, it would become responsible for the same and save to the Government the cost of caring for them.

Your committee therefore recommend that the bill do pass.